

Docket No.: 108137.701

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

WATKINS et al.

Serial No.

Filed: July 30, 1999

Group Art Unit:

Examiner:

For: METHODS FOR INCREASING CYTIDINE LEVELS IN VIVO AND TREATING CYTIDINE-DEPENDENT HUMAN DISEASES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, before BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION please insert

-- RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims priority to US Provisional Application Number 60/095,002 filed July 31, 1998, which is incorporated herein by reference.--

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 32, line 1, please change

"one of claims 29-31" to

--claim 29--

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Claim 36, line 2, please change

"any one of claims 29-31 or 33-35" to

--claim 29--


AUTHORIZATION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for this Amendment, or credit any overpayment to deposit account no. 50-0436.

In the event that an extension of time is required, or which may be required in addition to that requested in a petition for an extension of time, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to deposit account no. 50-0436.

Respectfully Submitted,

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